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Serial No. 09/370,696	Filing Date August 9, 1999	Examiner T. Edwards	Group Art Unit 2635
Inventor(s) Simon H. Lightbody et al.			
Title of Invention EXTERNAL I/O AND COMMUNICATIONS INTERFACE FOR A REVENUE METER (As Amended)			

## TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Transmittal Cover Letter (1p. Filed in Dup.); Amendment E (12 pp.) and PTO Reply Postcard.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR1.27.

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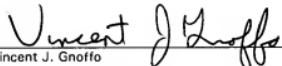
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I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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